

VANDERBILT HOUSING – HOTEL INFORMATION 2017 - 2018

Congratulations on being accepted into the **Vanderbilt University School of Nursing!** For those of you who live outside of the Nashville area we have created this information booklet in an effort to make your **visits during blocks** as easy as possible. Included in this booklet you will find information about local hotels, current & former student's hotel/housing suggestions, Nashville information, residential communities, local shopping malls and banks near Vanderbilt.

HOTEL-HOUSING OPTIONS

If you are a distance student that comes to campus for a few days at a time or a visitor, you may be interested in staying at one of the following hotels. You may also visit the **Vanderbilt University Visitor Travel Portal** at, <http://www.campustravel.com/university/vanderbilt/>.

****Rates are for the 2016 – 2017 academic year, are subject to availability and may change during the academic year. Some rates have a 4 – 5 night minimum. Must show student ID to receive rate. Due to campus/city special events these rates may not be offered****

Scarritt-Bennett Retreat & Conference Center

1-615-340-7500

1008 19th Av South, Nashville

<http://www.scarrittbennett.org/accomodations/rooms-rates/>

Rooms are available in their residence halls. They are dormitory style suites (shared bathroom) with single beds. The room rate is \$88.94 + tax, but once they have your VU picture ID on file, the rate is \$71.65 + tax (**rates are subject to change**). The rooms have internet access, but no television.

*This is a conference center and there are no front desk personnel on duty after normal business hours.

Embassy Suites – Nashville at Vanderbilt

1-615-320-8899

1811 Broadway

www.nashvilleatvanderbilt.embsuites.com

They offer specially discounted rates for Vanderbilt's School of Nursing long distance students. Please call the hotel directly for the current rate. Included in each suite is a living room and separate bedroom, pullout sleeper sofa, mini-refrigerator, microwave, coffeemaker, a table or desk, complimentary wireless internet access, & two televisions. Each morning a complimentary "cooked-to-order" breakfast and each evening a complimentary Manager's reception is offered featuring your favorite drinks and snacks. They offer complimentary shuttle and laundry room on site. This hotel is 2-blocks from campus. To book reservations, please call the hotel direct at 615-277-4963; ask for the Vanderbilt School of Nursing rate.

Hampton Inn & Suites Vanderbilt Elliston Place 1-888-880-5395 or 615-320-6060

2330 Elliston Place (5 blocks to School of Nursing)

www.hamptoninnnashville.com

They offer specially discounted rates for Vanderbilt's School of Nursing long distance students. Please call the hotel directly for the current rate. This hotel offers a complimentary hot breakfast buffet daily, free parking, mini refrigerator & microwave in all guest rooms, complimentary wireless internet & business center, fitness center, outdoor pool, onsite laundry facilities and over 50 restaurants within walking distance.

Hampton Inn Vanderbilt West End
1919 West End Av
www.hamptoninnnashville.com

1-800-880-5394 or 615-329-1144

They offer specially discounted rates for Vanderbilt's School of Nursing long distance students. Please call the hotel directly for the current rate. This hotel offers a complimentary hot breakfast buffet daily, free parking, mini refrigerator in all guest rooms, complimentary wireless internet & business center, fitness center, outdoor pool, onsite laundry facilities and over 50 restaurants within walking distance.

Hilton Garden Inn
1715 Broadway Av
www.nashvillevanderbilt.hgi.com

1-615-369-5900

They offer specially discounted rates for Vanderbilt's School of Nursing long distance students. Please call the hotel directly for the current rate.

Holiday Inn Vanderbilt
2613 West End Av
www.holidayinn.com/bna-vanderbilt

1-877-327-4707

They offer specially discounted rates for Vanderbilt's School of Nursing long distance students. Please call the hotel directly for the current rate. This hotel is directly across from Centennial Park and provides complimentary parking, Wi-Fi in all guestrooms, lobby & restaurant, shuttle service to & from Vanderbilt & within 3 miles of the hotel. The on-site restaurant serves breakfast and dinner 7 days a week. Every room includes a microwave, refrigerator, coffee maker, large work desk area, private balcony and 32" HD TV. Walking distance to over 50 restaurants, 2 pharmacies & a grocery store.

Home2 Suites by Hilton
1800 Division St
www.nashvillevanderbilt.home2suites.com

1-615-254-2170

They offer specially discounted rates for Vanderbilt's School of Nursing long distance students. Please call the hotel directly for the current rate. This hotel is within walking distance to the school. This hotel offers free hot breakfast bar daily from 6-9 am, free high speed wireless internet, free shuttle within a 3-miles radius, spin2 fitness and laundry combo, oasis to hang out in, free local phones calls, indoor pool & outdoor patio with grills and offers residential style suites with full kitchens. For more information call **Jerry Bobo**, Director of Sales at 615-921-8137 or email at jerry.bobo@hilton.com or to book now go to www.nashvillevanderbilt.home2suites.com and add corporate ID number 2640776.

Homewood Suites Nashville Vanderbilt
2400 West End Avenue
www.nashvillevanderbilt.homewoodsuites.com

1-615-340-8000

They offer specially discounted rates for Vanderbilt's School of Nursing long distance students. Please call the hotel directly for the current rate. On-site parking is also available for a discounted rate of \$15. Across the street from campus, fully equipped kitchens, complimentary full hot buffet breakfast daily, complimentary high speed wireless internet, on site fitness center & guest laundry, complimentary shuttle service within a 2 mile radius, indoor pool & outdoor patio and complimentary dinner reception Monday-Thursday.

Courtyard by Marriott Vanderbilt/West End **1-800-245-1959 or 1-615-327-9900**
1901 West End Av
www.marriott.com

Please contact the hotel directly for the Vanderbilt rates. Courtyard Vanderbilt is located at the base of Music Row and mere blocks from Vanderbilt University with complimentary shuttle service to all local venues. The hotel offers many full service hotel amenities. It is within walking distance to many restaurants with some providing room service to the hotel guests. Newly renovated guest rooms with deluxe bedding. Complimentary high speed wireless internet, work desk and comfortable office chair. Business center on site. Coffee maker, hairdryer, iron, ironing board, two phones and voicemail in every room. Outdoor pool, fitness center and laundry facilities are on site.

Extended Stay Hotel Vanderbilt **1-800-EXTSTAY or 1-615-383-7490**
3311 West End Av
www.extendedstayhotels.com

Please contact the hotel directly for Vanderbilt rates. The rooms all have a kitchen with refrigerator, microwave, stovetop and dining and cooking utensils provided. Free wireless high-speed internet access. Free local phone calls and personalized voice mail. On site guest laundry and iron and full size ironing board in each room. It is about 2 miles from the School of Nursing.

Loews Vanderbilt Hotel **1-866-563-9792 or 1-615-320-1700**
2100 West End Av
www.loewshotels.com

Please contact the hotel directly for best rates. Loews Vanderbilt hotel is a AAA 4-Diamond Award luxury hotel with newly designed and renovated guest rooms. This hotel is located across the street from Vanderbilt University and 2 miles from downtown. Hotel amenities include, internet access, in room refreshment centers & safes, CD players, 24 hour room service, morning newspaper, fitness center, business center and dry cleaning & laundry service.

HOUSING/HOTEL SUGGESTIONS FROM CURRENT DISTANCE STUDENTS

Please keep in mind these are only suggestions from our current students and the rates mentioned may have changed. Always book ahead of time for major school events; i.e. football games, the weekend of Homecoming and Vanderbilt Reunion and hotels typically can't honor VUSN prices during these events.

I have used **Airbnb** for every block thus far and have been very happy with the places I have stayed. Uber is great in Nashville and so it is very cost effective. I have saved a TON of money by going this route rather than staying in a hotel.

I am a distance student and I stay at an **Airbnb** in Edgehill. It is very convenient. I have a space to myself and it is a convenient walk to campus. I pretty much take an Uber everywhere that isn't within walking distance. I also have a bike which makes getting around very convenient. I also have stayed at the **Hampton Inn West End** which is very nice and has a shuttle which can take you to campus, although it is also within walking distance. There are several hotels in the West End that people seem to stay at which makes going out to dinner with everyone very easy.

I am a distance student and I have found that **Airbnb** had several inexpensive options for block week. Mine have Wi-Fi and kitchen access. I even have been able to bring my dog, which eliminates boarding fees.

The **hostels** are inexpensive places to stay and I have enjoyed the chance to meet people from around the world.

Priceline--booked a couple blocks for less than \$50/night with the name your own price option, just have to limit the area to Vanderbilt. **Vacation Rental By Owner (VRBO)**--3 classmates and I have done this and ended up with a great house about a mile from campus, for about \$200/block. However, you need to have a car in town for this option.

Hands down the BEST option in Nashville is using **airbnb.com**. I have stayed within walking distance each trip and usually for around \$50 a night if I split the apartment with someone. Has been a life saver.

I am a distance student and a group of us had really good luck using the **VRBO home rental** website. There are quite a few homes that are very reasonable and close to campus. It is obviously only cost effective if you have multiple students sharing; also transportation is needed. But even with the cost of a rental car this was cheaper than the five nights in any of the hotels we researched. You then have the option of grocery shopping and eating in thus cutting down on food expenses as well. We have so preferred it over hotels for the last few blocks. Hope this is helpful.

<http://www.vrbo.com/vacation-rentals/usa/tennessees>

One recommendation I have is for distance students who are driving to look into renting in Nashville vs staying in hotels. It can be less expensive, quieter, cleaner, and more comfortable than the hotels and you don't have to worry about booking a place each month and how long you're going to stay, etc. It gives you more freedom to come-and-go to Nashville as you please. They can find house-shares through **Craigslist**, rent their own apartment, or find a place to share with other students. **Air B-n-B and VRBO** are also GREAT places to find rooms/apartments to rent while you're in block. I can't recommend these options for air travelers because it could be troublesome getting back and forth to the airport and finding a place close enough to walk to campus.

I'm a distance student and for each block, I have stayed at **Music City Hostel**. The hostel has two locations, one is downtown and the one that I stay at is at 1809 E Patterson Street, an easy walk from Vanderbilt. The hostel costs about \$35/night, making it affordable. There are four beds to a room, but usually they're not full and I often find myself alone or with one other young woman in a room. There are several bathrooms, showers, laundry machines, Wi-Fi, and a fully stocked kitchen. The staff is friendly, accommodating, and familiar with Vanderbilt's distance students. To book go to musiccityhostel.com. I've met many great people there and the hostel has made my block experiences very pleasant.

I am a distant student from Oklahoma. I really wish someone had told me about **Airbnb** in August before I spent a fortune on hotels. In addition, it is a great idea to get on the **Facebook page** for that particular "class" and ask around about sharing a house, sharing rides to and from the airport. I was fortunate enough to get a locker in the Nursing building, so that I did not have to fly with toiletries, and other essential items that I knew I would need in Nashville, but were a

pain to remember to pack each time. One of my friends actually asked her congregation at church if they knew anyone in Nashville, and was able to stay with a "host family" each time.

The things that I found useful were to find a friend or two in the program to help split the cost! It makes it much more manageable! We alternated between hotels that offered the nursing discount and **air BNB's**. **Air BNB's** are the way to go to cut costs. There are many around the Nashville area and several within walking distance of Vanderbilt. Book Early and always ask if there is a discount! Many air bnb's have discounts for longer stays or multiple stays at the same place! If you are flying into town **Uber and Lyft** are the cheapest options and very accessible to the Air bnb's and Vanderbilt! **Embassy Suites and Home2Suites** offer the discount as well as free breakfast and are within easy walking distance! They also have a shuttle for bad weather days!

***Homewood Suites** gives a very good student rate, serves breakfast daily, dinner mom-Thur (not the greatest but free- and wine/beer with it). We put 3 in the suite- each had a bed (1 couch pullout-but she says it's comfy). They are nice and it is convenient to school.

***Embassy suite** has better breakfast but dinner is really snacks and their rate isn't as good as HS.

*Parking is expensive-20\$/day at the hotels and at least that to park on campus.

*If flying, be prepared to add additional night to stay as sometimes block doesn't end in time to catch last flight out on Saturday.

*If block is over homecoming, plan early and book with as many classmates as you can. Rates jump to 300-400 per night. Might consider **Scarett** for that weekend but it too books up. Scarett has questionable Wi-Fi at times.

I have stayed at **Homewood Suites** Vanderbilt each time and it is fabulous! It is a 10-minute walk to the nursing building. But they also have free shuttle service or the cab is only \$4. They also have a huge free breakfast and free dinner and drinks Monday thru Thursday nights. I would highly recommend this hotel!

Book in advance!!!

Homewood Suites is a bit spendy but the amenities are wonderful. They have breakfast and dinner on weeknights and breakfast on the weekends. They have a huge open area for breakfast that is great for meeting up with fellow students and studying or just socializing. They have a decent workout room. They have a free shuttle for within 2 miles of the hotel which includes all of campus. It is walking distance to many things. The rooms have kitchens so you can also cook for yourself and store food/drinks. They also have a living room area and eating area in the rooms so you can study and just relax. The airport shuttle is reasonable but often instructors and other students are more than willing to shuttle you for free. ☺ For cheaper hotels, stay closer to the airport. But be prepared for Nashville traffic. Leave A LOT of extra time!!!

I've had great experiences with the **Homewood Suites** on West End. They've consistently offered us discounts and have been very flexible with us. One of their managers, Sarah Kach, has been particularly helpful in coordinating with VUSN students. I have included her contact info below:

Sarah Kach, skach@vistahost.net, (615) 574-7934
2400 West End Avenue, Nashville TN 37203

Hi. I'm a distance student. I have stayed at **Hilton Garden Inn, Home2, and Homewood Suites**. I have been happy with all three hotels. Prefer **Homewood** for longer stays, because of the convenience of having a kitchen.

As a distance student I have stayed at the **Holiday Inn, the Hampton Inn and the Hilton Home2 Suites**. The **Holiday Inn** was the first hotel I stayed in for the very first block. At the time I made my reservations, I had forgotten to let them know that I was a VUSN student. When I checked out, they would not apply any discount and acted somewhat cavalier. I never stayed there again. Just reminding individuals to enter their discount code at the time of the reservation may prevent this (however, even though I had this knowledge, I forgot).

The **Hampton Inn** had a wonderful staff and nice accommodations. Additionally, the shuttles would take you to school, pick you up and take you downtown.

At last I found the **Hilton Home 2 Suites**. I hadn't realized that it was within such a close walking distance until this semester. For the rate it has everything the Hampton does, plus a kitchenette that includes a dishwasher. Additionally, a lot of fellow students stay there and meet in the Lobby.

I'm a distance student and have stayed at the **Home2 Suites** once, it was great, very clean and has full amenities if you like to cook. The rest of the trips I have stayed with a roommate at the **Embassy Suites** which are also nice. All the rooms have a bedroom and we often got rooms with 2 beds. They also have a great complimentary buffet breakfast every morning. It can be kind of loud depending on where your room is located. Both **Home2 and Embassy Suites** are within walking distance to campus and both offer a shuttle for trips within 3 miles of the hotel.

I've stayed several times at the **Home 2 Suites**. This is a compromise, but it's where many of my friends stay, and we enjoy having breakfasts together. The breakfast is ok, mostly continental, but adequate. What I love are the nice sunny rooms (sometimes we study during the day), the cheap and convenient laundry/workout room, and the nicely equipped kitchens, as well as the friendly staff. Negatives are that it gets noisy (usually worse on weekends). Some of my friends have had complaints about dogs barking, but this has not happened to me. Mostly, people who stay here are working, rather than partying.

Community breakfast table makes it fun but there are also plenty of private places to sit, as well. Computer workstations with a free printer and a large community area make it an easy place to get some studying or people-watching done. Very comfortable. Pretty easy walk to Godchaux, close to literally dozens of restaurants. Just under a mile to Godchaux. Reasonable room rates for students, as well. Very nice room setup, perfect for studying.

I think it's ideal for one person, but some friends room together (one sleeps on pullout couch, which is divided from bed with a heavy curtain). Highly recommended. There is a shuttle that will take you anywhere within a 3-mile (I think) radius.

I realize I'm a little wordy here but I love critiquing hotels, and hope I can help next year's students. I am a distance student that travels from Atlanta. I stay at the **Home 2 Suites**. They have offered great rates for us and I share a room with another student. They offer free

breakfast, copies, shuttle ride within 3 miles and they have a small kitchenette in the room. They are a quick walk to campus (7-10 minutes). Hope this helps.

If you sign up for Hilton Honors and airline miles it will pay off. Be sure to check which ones reset their count in December. I think it is Southwest Airlines that resets and you will lose all your points because the program is from August to August. Frontier Airlines lets you keep them and so does Hilton Honors. If you are able to get an airline credit card and book your room and flights on it you can get about 4 round trip flights paid for.

This is my second year as a part time student traveling to Nashville for school. I highly recommend **Embassy Suites Vanderbilt**. It may be more expensive but the staff is friendly and helpful, the shuttle is fast and reliable, and it is worth the money. Also, I recommend signing up for hotel rewards for whatever hotel a student chooses. I'm already earning Hilton rewards now.

I am a distance learner and live in Alabama. I usually stay at **Embassy Suites** they are the best and I have Hilton Diamond status because I travel for work so I use my points to stay there for free. I have also stayed at that **Hampton Inn** around the corner. I like both mostly because I can walk to the school of nursing from both places and don't have to worry about parking on campus.

I stayed once at the **Embassy Suites**. This was a really nice place to stay. For people who like it quiet for sleeping, it's perfect. You close the door between your bedroom and the living room and you never hear anything from outside. There is a huge atrium where all the rooms look out, and there's a big fountain there. Breakfast is included and is AMAZING! They have an omelet bar, and a buffet. The hotel is a pretty easy walk from Godchaux (just under a mile?). Easy walking distance to literally dozens of restaurants. Close to Home2 Suites and Hilton Garden Inn (all owned by Hilton).

I am distance in the DNP now and I get a hotel each time I come. I would recommend **Embassy Suites**. It was very clean and within walking distance of the school. Good breakfast and parking.

I am a distance student and have been staying at the **Hampton Inn on west End**. It is a little pricey. If you have a roomie it works out great, though. The shuttle is free to class and it is extremely handy! They give you a card with # to call, pretty much any time from 6 a till 11 p except on Sundays. Free hot breakfast too. The staff is VERY nice and the rooms are VERY clean. Fridge in all the rooms. Beds are great! Only downfall is only microwave is in lobby by the front door.

Several of the girls in my group stay here. The **Holiday Inn on West End** is very nice also. A bit cheaper, but I am a Hampton Inn girl, and like their bonus points. When I stayed at the **Holiday Inn**, you had to schedule the shuttle ahead of time. Farther to walk as well if you couldn't get a shuttle.

As a distance student I try to stay at the **Hampton Inn on West End** as much as possible. I take a cab to and from the airport and can then walk everywhere else I need...including to campus. During football season and certain other events in the city the Hampton Inn's prices skyrocket. In those instances I have stayed in Brentwood and rented a car to get around. The San Antonio Taco Company (SATCO) across 21st from the SON has fantastic sweet tea and texmex food. Nearby restaurants that I like are Blackstone, Chuy's, and The Row.

I am a distance student and I like to stay at the **Hampton Inn West End**. You won't meet an employee at this hotel that doesn't greet you with a smile and offer to help you in anyway. Wifi is free and I have never had issues with it. Breakfast is free and they offer an "on-to-go" breakfast located at the front desk if you don't have time to go down to the ground floor to get a hot breakfast. There is always free coffee in the lobby that you can take with you as well. The hotel doesn't have a restaurant, but there are many great restaurants (ranging from fast food to very nice) within walking distance. This hotel is a quick walk to the School of Nursing, only a couple blocks away. Parking is also free, a HUGE plus if you have a car. When I flew, I took the Airport Express. They were prompt and friendly and I will use them again for sure.

I have also used **Priceline** in the past to snag a good deal. I usually end up staying at either The **Millennium Maxwell House** on Rosa Parks Blvd for about \$60 - \$70/night or at the **Marriott at Vanderbilt on West End** for about \$100/night. The shuttle service at the Millenium Maxwell House is outstanding! They will even pick you up and drop you off at the airport.

The only disadvantages to the **Maxwell House** is that it is about a 15 minute ride to Vanderbilt, there are not many restaurants nearby, there is not a refrigerator or microwave in the room and the rooms are not updated. Also, internet is not free at these locations (Although I have used the ole "I am a student can you please help me out" a few times and it worked!).

I'm a distance student. I've stayed (twice) at the **Holiday Inn West End**, which has a nice outdoor pool and very good service, as well as an onsite restaurant with very good breakfasts. Sometimes these are included in the room price, depending on how you reserve. My problem was that it was a bit of a long walk to the school of nursing and none of my classmates were staying there. They do have free parking and are close to the bookstore, and across the street from the big park.

I've loved staying at **Scarritt Bennett**. I stayed at an **air bnb** for orientation. It was close to campus but not walkable so I had to pay for parking. There was no wifi so I had to go out whenever I needed to work. I know some people prefer the comfort of the hotel but all the close hotels are expensive. I didn't want to share a room or pay the money to park. S-B has been great because the parking is free, it is close so I walk almost everywhere, it has everything I need. The money I save I use to enjoy a little bit of Nashville when I'm visiting. It was weird sharing a bathroom the first time but I got over that. I always look at it as I'm reliving my "college days" by staying in a dorm. The only negative is that S-B made a hefty increase in price for students however; it still is saving me money.

I am a distance student, and I drive from Arkansas for block. I have always stayed at the **Scarritt-Bennett Center**. It is nothing fancy, but it is convenient to walk to class and restaurants near the school of nursing. They have double occupancy rooms for people to share and split the cost, which is cost effective for those on a budget. The parking is free and there is plenty of it, typically.

They also have guest lounges that have refrigerators & microwaves if you want to get groceries and not eat out all the time. I would recommend it to those who are on a tight budget and looking for convenience.

I commute from Chattanooga, TN. Something I wish I'd known about before starting this program was the **Scarritt-Bennett Center**. It is located just across 21st Ave from VUSN (walking distance!) and offers overnight lodging for \$50/night. VERY affordable compared to area hotels. The lodging is dormitory/suite style. Your room shares a bathroom with the adjacent room. But it's cozy and convenient!

I have stayed at the **Scarritt Bennett** all my visits. It is nothing fancy but it is close to campus and the staff is always friendly and they offer a wonderful student discount. I booked with a couple of the other girls and they put all our rooms right next to each other for the spring visits.

I am an ASN-MSN distance learner - flying from Florida to Nashville. I have stayed in **Scarritt Bennett** every block until this last one and I stayed in an **Airbnb** close by. If you are flying in and will not have a car while here, **Scarritt Bennett** is GREAT. It is within walking distance to Godchaux, Panera, Brueggars Bagels, and Mellow Mushroom. However, I found it was not as easy to get a reservation as prior students told me it would be. I had to book way in advance and even then was put on a waiting list. I always got a room - but that was stressful with everything else :) The rooms are adequate. Internet is okay, but cell service is terrible inside the rooms. It is the bare minimum - with no TV, no phone, etc., and the buildings are very old and worn. You share a bathroom with a complete stranger (or a friend if you can book at the same time). And because of the furnace/air situation - I seemed to always be hot in the rooms. BUT it is a great price and can't be beat in the surrounding area. AND I will most likely stay there again!

The **Airbnb** I stayed at was not within walking distance, but this particular time I had my car and husband with me so he drove me every day. It was a short 15 min car ride in and the accommodations were great. It is nice to have a kitchen!! If you can book with a friend who drives into block, that is a great alternative. Getting an Uber is very easy - but makes it not as cost friendly when you add that cost in.

I found the solution for me when I commute to Nashville for block weeks is to stay in a **campground**. I have a little camper and I stay out in a state park for \$20 a night. It is probably not the most ideal situation for most people but it works well for me.

I am a distance student from California and found the **Mainstay Suites in Brentwood** to be my favorite option. Even with the cost of a rental car, gas, parking on campus, etc., I found it to be the cheapest option since we get a Vandy discount there. It has a mini kitchen and I was able to prepare all of my meals vs buying meals out. It's not fancy by any means, but worked just fine for me!

Staying in hotels, eating out is usually your only option. There are a lot of locations that participate with the Commodore Card (Nursing students actually use their Vanderbilt SN Hospital Badges). Once student loans have been deposited into your account, you can transfer money onto this card to use at these participating restaurants, at campus dining facilities, and the bookstore.

SHOPPING MALLS

The Mall at Green Hills

<http://www.themallatgreenhills.com/>

2126 Abbott Martin Road
Nashville, TN 37215

About three miles south of Vanderbilt

Hill Center at Green Hills

<http://www.hillcentergreenhills.com/>

4039 Hillsboro Pike
Nashville, TN 37215

About three miles south of Vanderbilt

Cool Springs Galleria

<http://www.coolspringsgalleria.com/>

1800 Galleria Blvd
Franklin, TN 37067

About 15 miles south of Vanderbilt

Rivergate Mall

<http://www.rivergate-mall.com/>

1000 Two Mile Parkway
Goodlettsville, TN 37072

About 15 miles northeast of Vanderbilt

BANKS NEAR VANDERBILT

Regions Bank – Hillsboro

www.regions.com

1604 21st Avenue S
Nashville, TN 37212
(615) 748-2401

Bank of America

www.bankofamerica.com

2121 Blakemore Av
Nashville, TN 37212
615-291-2890

First Tennessee Bank

www.firsttennessee.com

2306 21st Avenue S
Nashville, TN 37212
(615) 292-2255

SunTrust – Hillsboro Village

www.suntrust.com

1605 21st Avenue S
Nashville, TN 37212-3103
(615) 340-0248

US Bank

www.usbank.com

1711 Broadway
Nashville, TN 37203
(615) 742-6365

Links for Nashville Information, apartment hunting, & other miscellaneous links

To learn more about the safety of the area you may be renting in, check out the Nashville Police website - <http://www.crimemapping.com/map/tn/nashville>

Our Hometown – Nashville, TN; Essential Nashville and Making Nashville Home - <http://www.vanderbilt.edu/nashville/>

Vanderbilt's off campus referral service; www.vanderbilt.edu/ResEd - Once at this page go to: **Off Campus Referral Service** under **Housing Assignment**, **View Listings**, Read disclaimer, choose **Agree**, Temporary User Name = **VUSN**, Temporary Password = **MSNRN**, **Login**

Facebook Group = Vanderbilt School of Nursing – Roommate Search - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/8753174297/>

Apartment Selector – [/www.aptselector.com/show/3833/](http://www.aptselector.com/show/3833/) & Email barbara-tn@apartmentselector.com, 615-833-3151 & 800-394-2736

Craigslist - <http://nashville.craigslist.org/>

Vanderbilt MyVU Classified Ads - <http://www.vanderbilt.edu/classifieds/> (Must have a VUNet ID to login)

Apartment Guide - <http://www.apartmentguide.com/> & Apartment Finder - <http://www.apartmentfinder.com/Tennessee/Nashville>

A comprehensive database of apartment ratings and reviews, find out what tenants say BEFORE you sign a lease - www.apartmentratings.com

Vanderbilt Child Care Center & TN Statewide Child Care Source
<http://healthandwellness.vanderbilt.edu/child-family-center/child-care-center/index.php> &
<http://tn.gov/humanserv/adfam/ccfcc.html>

Nashville Area Chamber of Commerce – Getting Established - <http://www.nashvillechamber.com/Homepage/Relocation/RelocateFamily/GettingEstablished.aspx>

The Tennessean FYI Guides to Davidson County & Middle Tennessee - <http://www.tennessean.com/topic/780bac52-24db-4e9f-8ad6-d65ade4c4854/fyi/>

A ridesharing website to help you find commuting partners who work or study at VUMC – <https://www.vuridematch.com/public/Home.aspx> (Must have a VU email to login)

Furniture Rental – Cort Furniture Rental - http://furniture.cort.com/storefront/student/c02_04.html

Online publication focusing on what makes Nashville, Nashville – www.nashvilleguru.com

Pinterest – Nashville Love - <http://pinterest.com/vusn/nashville-love/>

RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITIES

Nashville boasts a variety of neighborhoods from downtown apartments to multifamily units in the suburbs to every kind of apartment community or single-family residential home. There are several distinct areas of the city listed below. For more information about these & other Nashville communities visit the following sites: <http://www.vanderbilt.edu/nashville/essentials.php#areas> or <http://www.vanderbilt.edu/nashville/home.php>.

Hillsboro Village, West End

In this relatively tiny slice of Nashville, which is very urban, walkable and has more housing options than other nearby neighborhoods. It is between Vanderbilt and Belmont University, home to Music Row, some intriguing businesses and lots of restaurants and bars. The area is bounded by busy West End Avenue, Franklin Road on the east and the 440 Parkway on the south. At the heart of West End is trendy Hillsboro Village, where you will find college students, young adults and families enjoying the lively area.

Green Hills, Forest Hills

So you want to shop until you drop, take a break for a quick bite to eat or a sit-down dinner and still be within a shopping bag's throw of home? The Green Hills/Forest Hills neighborhood may be just the place for you to build, buy or rent a new home. Anchored by the sprawling regional Mall at Green Hills, the neighborhood has easy access to Hillsboro Pike, which generates much of the Nashville's north-south traffic. Green Hills is one of Nashville's most lived-in and visited areas. It has 21 churches, 14 schools and nearby police and fire protection, as well as more than one million square feet of shopping, movie theaters and a wide variety of restaurants. Plus, if you want an afternoon in the park, you're just a jog or picnic basket away from the Edwin and Percy Warner parks and a secluded secret of Nashville – Radnor Lake.

The Gulch

Located at the edge of the Central Business District and within minutes of West End Avenue, Music Row and Hillsboro Village, The Gulch has an upscale-trendy vibe, extremely walkable, with a thriving business community. High rise apartment buildings and condominiums make up the residential component of The Gulch. This area is also home to some of Nashville's newest and most popular restaurants and bars.

SoBro (South of Broadway)

Although, it is located just steps away from Broadway and "The District", it is its own neighborhood. This area is one of the most highly developed areas of the city. High-rise apartments and lofts make up the residential component of SoBro.

Sylvan Park, Charlotte Park, West Nashville

Sylvan Park offers a beautiful setting with a funky edge. Here, solid, 1920s clapboard homes and the architectural flourishes on stone bungalows from the '30s and '40s look right at home together. You can easily walk to West End, but would have to drive to other areas of Nashville. This is a more residential area with great neighborhood restaurants and a natural foods market.

East Nashville

Over the river & past LP Field, you could get happily lost among the beautifully restored homes in Historic Edgefield, but be sure to stop on Woodland Street and recharge at Five Points, a lively hub of bistros, coffeehouses, boutiques and neighborhood stores. The area has undergone extreme revitalization over the last decade, drawing a lot of attention to an assortment of newcomers who enjoy a laid-back community and culture. A lot of different types of people live in East Nashville, but expect to see mostly young, hip adults and families at the local spots. There are all types of properties including houses, townhouses, duplexes and small apartments. Walking from East Nashville to the other areas is pretty much out of the question, so be prepared to stay on that side of the river or be willing to drive a little.

12South

12 South is a great area comprised mainly of young families and free-spirited individuals. You will find freelancers and musicians at the local coffeehouses and moms with strollers walking to the nearby park. There are some awesome restaurants in the 12 South area including laid back joints as well as fine dining. You can also enjoy the 12 South Farmer's Market every Tuesday from 3:30pm to 6:30pm during the warmer months. 12 South also has several apparel shops that sell everything from vintage to modern styles. From 12 South, you can walk to Belmont Blvd, but would need to drive to the other areas in Nashville. There is one apartment complex called 12 South Flats and a few condo options. Most people live in houses along the perpendicular side streets of 12 Avenue South.

Germantown

The oldest area in Nashville with an awesome, eclectic vibe. Germantown, so named because of the influx of German immigrants in the mid-19th century, is being restored to its original grandeur and still has brick sidewalks. It's very walkable and offers several housing options; individual houses, townhouses, duplexes & low rise apartments. This area has great restaurants, cute boutiques and Nashville's Farmers' Market is within easy walking distance of Germantown.

Bellevue

Bellevue, perched on the southwestern tip of Davidson County, allows newcomers to keep one foot in the city life and the other in the country. With its plethora of apartments and abundance of single-family homes within 30 minutes of downtown (depending on traffic), commuters can feel like they live in the country and still have the hustle and bustle of downtown. Bellevue also can be like your hometown – small enough to get around in easily, but large enough to offer the shopping, dining and entertainment you seek. Nestled around the regional Bellevue Center shopping complex are numerous fast food outlets and restaurant chains, dozens of churches, schools, movie theaters with multiple screens and a unique community park. Nearby police and fire protection service the community, this has two major interchanges for Interstate 40 access.

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